

Senator Cardin, testified and answered questions in her own behalf.

MEDICAL DEVICES

Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions: Committee concluded a hearing to examine medical devices, focusing on protecting patients and promoting innovation, after receiving testimony from Jeffrey Shuren, Director, Center for Devices and Radiological Health, Food and Drug Administration, Department of Health and Human Services; Ralph F. Hall, University of Minnesota Law School, Minneapolis; David R. Challoner, University of Florida, Gainesville; and Gregory D. Curfman, New England Journal of Medicine, Boston, Massachusetts.

FIX GUN CHECKS ACT

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee on Crime and Terrorism concluded a hearing to examine “Fix Gun Checks Act”, focusing on better state and Federal compliance, and smarter enforcement, including

S. 436, to ensure that all individuals who should be prohibited from buying a firearm are listed in the national instant criminal background check system and require a background check for every firearm sale, after receiving testimony from David Cuthbertson, Assistant Director, Criminal Justice Information Services Division, Federal Bureau of Investigation, Department of Justice; Heather A. Anderson, Washington State Patrol Criminal Records Division, Olympia; John Feinblatt, Policy and Strategic Planning for New York City, New York, New York; David B. Kopel, Denver University Sturm College of Law, Denver, Colorado; and Patricia Maisch, Tucson, Arizona.

INTELLIGENCE

Select Committee on Intelligence: Committee held closed hearings on intelligence matters, receiving testimony from officials of the intelligence community.

Committee recessed subject to the call.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Public Bills and Resolutions Introduced: 11 public bills, H.R. 3422–3432; and 2 resolutions, H.J. Res. 87–88 were introduced. **Pages H7626–27**

Additional Cosponsors: **Page H7627**

Report Filed: A report was filed today as follows: H. Res. 466, providing for consideration of motions to suspend the rules (H. Rept. 112–285). **Page H7626**

Speaker: Read a letter from the Speaker wherein he appointed Representative West to act as Speaker pro tempore for today. **Page H7581**

Recess: The House recessed at 11:10 a.m. and reconvened at 12 noon. **Page H7589**

National Right-to-Carry Reciprocity Act of 2011—Rule for Consideration: The House agreed to the rule that is providing for consideration of H.R. 822, to amend title 18, United States Code, to provide a national standard in accordance with which nonresidents of a State may carry concealed firearms in the State, by a yea-and-nay vote of 271 yeas to 153 nays, Roll No. 842, after the previous question was ordered without objection.

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Order of Procedure: Agreed by unanimous consent that, during further consideration of H.R. 2838 in

the Committee of the Whole pursuant to H. Res. 455, the amendment by Representative Young (AK) at the desk be considered as though printed as the last amendment printed in House Report 112–267 and be debatable for 10 minutes. **Page H7604**

Coast Guard and Maritime Transportation Act of 2011: The House passed H.R. 2838, to authorize appropriations for the Coast Guard for fiscal years 2012 through 2015, by voice vote. Consideration of the measure began on November 4th. **Pages H7604–09**

Rejected the Larsen (WA) motion to recommit the bill to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure with instructions to report the same back to the House forthwith with an amendment, by a yea-and-nay vote of 189 yeas to 235 nays, Roll No. 841. **Pages H7607–09**

Agreed to:

Young (AK) amendment that inserts a new section regarding the conveyance of the decommissioned Coast Guard Cutter STORIS to the Storis Museum in Juneau, Alaska and **Page H7606**

Pierluisi amendment (No. 15 printed in H. Rept. 112–267) that clarifies the application of the Passenger Vessel Services Act to vessels operating in Puerto Rico that are not otherwise qualified to transport passengers for hire and that are more than 100

gross tons. Allows such vessels to transport passengers between ports in Puerto Rico—a non-contiguous jurisdiction of multiple islands (by a recorded vote of 322 ayes to 100 noes, Roll No. 840).

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Withdrawn:

Landry amendment (No. 13 printed in H. Rept. 112–267) that was offered and subsequently withdrawn that would have clarified Coast Guard guidance regarding the ability of U.S. flagged offshore supply vessels to carry unlimited amounts of Grade D and Grade E cargo (combustible liquid) when said vessel is operating outside of U.S. waters, provided the vessel meets the safety requirements of the International Maritime Organization.

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H. Res. 455, the rule providing for consideration of the bill, was agreed to on November 4th.

Quorum Calls—Votes: Two yea-and-nay votes and one recorded vote developed during the proceedings of today and appear on pages H7606–07, H7608–09 and H7609. There were no quorum calls.

Adjournment: The House met at 10 a.m. and adjourned at 5:22 p.m.

Committee Meetings

MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES

Committee on Energy and Commerce: Subcommittee on Health held a markup of H.R. 1173, the “Fiscal Responsibility and Retirement Security Act of 2011.” The bill was forwarded, without amendment.

MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES

Committee on Financial Services: Full Committee held a markup of H.R. 1221, the “Equity in Government Compensation Act of 2011.” The bill was ordered reported, as amended.

MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES

Committee on Financial Services: Subcommittee on Capital Markets and Government Sponsored Enterprises held a markup of the following: H.R. 2586, the “Swap Execution Facility Clarification Act”; H.R. 2779, to exempt inter-affiliate swaps from certain regulatory requirements put in place by the Dodd-Frank Wall Street Reform and Consumer Protection Act; H.R. 3045, the “Retirement Income Protection Act of 2011”; H.R. 1838, to repeal a provision of the Dodd-Frank Wall Street Reform and Consumer Protection Act prohibiting any Federal bailout of swap dealers or participants; and H.R. 2308, the “SEC Regulatory Accountability Act.” The following were forwarded without amendment: H.R. 2586; H.R. 2779; and H.R. 3045. The following were forwarded, as amended: H.R. 1838; and H.R. 2308.

STATE OF AFFAIRS IN THE BALKANS

Committee on Foreign Affairs: Subcommittee on Europe and Eurasia held a hearing entitled “The State of Affairs in the Balkans.” Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

U.S. DEVELOPMENT ASSISTANCE TO CHINA

Committee on Foreign Affairs: Subcommittee on Asia and the Pacific held a hearing entitled “Feeding the Dragon: Reevaluating U.S. Development Assistance to China.” Testimony was heard from Nisha Desai Biswal, Assistant Administrator for Asia, United States Agency for International Development.

TECHNOLOGY TO SECURE THE BORDER

Committee on Homeland Security: Subcommittee on Border and Maritime Security held a hearing entitled “Protecting the Homeland: How can DHS use DOD Technology to Secure the Border?” Testimony was heard from Paul N. Stockton, Assistant Secretary of Defense for Homeland Defense and Americas’ Security Affairs, Office of Undersecretary of Defense for Policy, Department of Defense; Mark Borkowski, Assistant Commissioner, Office of Technology Innovation and Acquisition, Customs and Border Protection, Department of Homeland Security; Adam Cox, Deputy Director (Acting), Homeland Security Advanced Research Projects Agency, Department of Homeland Security; and Michael Tangora, Deputy Assistant Commandant & Director of Acquisition Services, United States Coast Guard, Department of Homeland Security.

MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES

Committee on Homeland Security: Subcommittee on Counterterrorism and Intelligence held a markup of the following: H.R. 2764, the “WMD Intelligence and Information Sharing Act of 2011”; and H.R. 3140, to amend the Homeland Security Act of 2002 to direct the Secretary of Homeland Security to prioritize the assignment of officers and analysts to certain State and urban area fusion centers to enhance the security of mass transit systems. Both bills were ordered reported, without amendment.

CYBER SECURITY

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee on Crime, Terrorism, and Homeland Security held a hearing entitled “Cyber Security: Protecting America’s New Frontier.” Testimony was heard from Richard Downing, Deputy Chief, Computer Crime and Intellectual Property Section, Criminal Division, Department of Justice; and public witnesses.